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In re the Application of

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In reply to the February 17, 2004 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-15 are pending herein.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner Lamb in the March 16, 2004 telephone interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

I. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1, 6 and 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,335,795 to Neuhard et al. (hereinafter referred to as "Neuhard"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Neuhard describes an apparatus for selecting one of a plurality of printers attached to a server with a user interface program to print a print job. After the user interface program is used to select a print option from a first set of print options, the computer determines a second